PANCHATATVA BIGRAHA IN MAYAPUR

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FIVE SPIRITUAL ELEMENTS IN GAUDIYA DARSHANA (PHILOSOPHY)

There are Panchatatva we generally mean five principles. There are five spiritual elements in Gaudiya darshana which are as follows -

(1) The Supreme Personality of God.

(2) The first expression of God to show His spiritual entity.

(3)His second expression as a God to show the existence of material world.

(4)His spiritual lahadini shakti which is female expression and which is complementary to Him.

(5)Jiva or Tatas that I shakti. In the spiritual world the above five forms are called Sree Krishna,

Balarama, Mahavishnu, Radha Rani and pure Atma respectively. In 1486, Sree Chaitanyadeva

to (popularly known as Mahaprabhu) born in Navadvipa. He was Krishna in disguise. He expressed his lila as a devotee of the Lord. At that time other tatatva were also appeared. They also played

their role as Bhakta. As for example Balaram Himself appeared as Nityananda, Maharishi as Advaita Acarya, Radha Rani as Gadadhara and Narad Muni as Sreevasa Thakura.

APPEARANCE OF PANCHATATVAS IN SREEDHAM MAYAPURA IN BIG SIZE

Srila Prabhupada, the founder Acarya of ISKCON AC. Bhakti Vedanta Swami Prabhupada recommended a big size of Panchatatas for Sreedham Mayapur Mandir (more than 50 years ago). He thought to establish the Pancha tatvas (made of marvel stones) in the proposed Vedic Planatorium Mandir.

Considering his recommendation, the authority of Mayapura Mandir decided to set the same before the construction of the Vedic Planatorium Mandira.In order to establish larger/big size of Panchatatvas the main /old mandira was extended to the East. After that

different sastria granthas (books) were analysed by the authority to determine the length it breadth and ratio, and qualities of each bigraha of the Panchatatvas. At that time it was also decided that Bigraha would be established in different angles.

THE DIFFERENT ANGLES OF THE BIGRAHAS

The different expressions of the Bigrahas are as follows: _

1)First of all-The Supreme Personality of Godhead Sree Caitanyadeva has expressed Himself by expanding this two hands in upwards. This implies that be reminds is the fake the devotional services to Krishna and at the same time He is accepting the bondage peoples for their liberation from this mundane world.

2) Secondly- the right hands of Nityananda Prabhu is seen in open and expanded upwards. Again left and of Gadadhara Prabhu in open and expanded upward.Both of them are dancing and at the same time encourages the bondage peoples to take shelter under the lotus feet of Caitanya Mahaprabhu.

3) Thirdly, the left hand of Advita Prabhu is upward to extent indicating that He is dancing.

4)Fourthly the two hands of Sri-vash Prabhu are folded and He is praising the Mahaprabhu to teach us that we should carry out our devotional services to the Lord Caitanya Mahaprabhu.

HOW AND WHERE THE PANCHATATVA BIGRAHASES HAD BEEN MADE ?

The biggrahas had been made from Tamilnadu in Southern America. The Mayapur Mandir Committee came into a contact with a famous architecture named N Seva Senapati of Swamimalai in Tamilnadu. But after sometimes he passed away from this material world. But before death the advised his three sons and give me necessary instruction for making of the five Bigrahas very sincerely and was carefully. From an ISKCON authority Bhagat Maharaja Das was selected to supervise the various stages of building of the Bigrahasa.

Each Birtha was made by through the mixtures of eight Dhatusa such as gold, pitala,dasta, silver, iron, sisa, tina and steel.

These dhatusas were washed in different fractions for building of the Bigrahas. We give the below a chart where in the name, weight and date of their construction has been shown.

Name of the Bigrahas	Weight(Kg)	Date of construction
1.Sree Caitanya Maha Prabhu	2830	18.4.2003
2.Nityananda Prabhu	2680	8.5.2003
3.Sree Adaitva Prabhu	2620	20.5.2003
4.Sree Gadadhar Prabhu	2560	15.7.2003
5.Sree Sribash Prabhu	2510	2.8.2003

BROUGHT UP OF THE BIGRAHASES IN MAYAPUR MANDER

In order to receive the Bigrahases ISKCON devotees started from Kombhaconam (in Tamilnadu) at 11 pm on 31-2-2004. There was Sankirtana party with consisting of devotees with them. Accordingly they received the Bigrahases and started towards Mayapura. In the next morning they could cross Chennai city. At that time the local devotees present there with different prasadas among the customs offices and staffs on 1st February. At this they became very pleased and managed all the procedures of immigration very quickly.

Next the Bigrahases proceeded through Andhra Pradesh. During this time & devotees of at different places came to saw the Bigrahases. Proceeding this way the Bigrahases reached at Orissa (Odissa) province on 3rd February, 2004. On the next day,i-e at the night of 5th February, the

Bigrahases crossed the border of Odissa and entered West Bengal. The next day i-e on 6th February they reached at Mayapur.